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#### Judaism

Olam Ha-Ba and Gan Eden ("the Garden of Eden") are used to refer to a place where Jews will live after dying.

## Christianity

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Underline the key words and phrases that describe their different ideas about heaven. See if

you find any ideas that cross over all the religions..

### Christianity

#### Heaven

The Bible states that heaven is the dwelling place of God. His throne is there, the angels are there, and Jesus Christ is in heaven.

It is seen as a state of existence rather than an actual place.

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Most Christians believe that the soul lives on after death and heavenly bodies are perfect (free from old age, disease and illness). Reunited with God and fellow believers they will be without earthly needs.

### Judaism

#### Olam Ha-Ba

This idea of the afterlife is often used to mean the same as the term Gan Eden ("the Garden of Eden"), referring to a heavenly realm where souls reside after physical death. The belief is that all humans will return to the blissful existence Adam and Eve experienced before the 'fall'.

#### Islam

#### Jannah

Jannah is an eternal place for Muslims which is based on the Islamic idea of paradise, but the word Jannah actually means 'garden' in Arabic.

There are different levels of paradise. The highest level is the fir daws where the prophets and most truthful people live. In the Qu'ran, it indicates that those who enter will be greeted by angels.

There, Muslims will join their loved ones who have passed away already, if they have entered Jannah. Everyone will become the same age and live in the exact same way, not wanting for anything including food, water and a home.

